

**Milwaukee County Employees' Retirement System (ERS)  
Pension Budget, Audit and Compliance Committee Meeting  
MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

The Audit Committee was called to order **Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. by Vera Westphal in the Commission Room (210)** at the Milwaukee County Courthouse at 901 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233.

**Board Members Present:**

Laurie Braun  
Aimee Funck  
D.A. Leonard  
Vera Westphal

**Others Present:**

Marian Ninneman  
Mark Grady  
Steve Huff

1. Topic: Baker Tilly Audit – Discussion

Wayne Morgan and Darlene Middleman from Baker Tilly discussed the communications with management required as part of the audit standards. They then explained the new accounting pronouncements. These were introduced as new clarity standards. Next discussed were the new pension standards under GASB – GASB 67 and 68. Baker Tilly indicated they would be available to work with ERS as we implement these standards. The audit findings will be presented at the June 5, 2013, Audit Committee meeting. Research is continuing on the process, however, a report was not available for discussion. This will be an agenda item for a future meeting.

2. Topic: Disability Retirement Process – Discussion

Information was not available at the time of this meeting to hold a discussion. This will be an agenda item for a future meeting.

3. Topic: Pension Board Rule 1017 – Domestic Relations Orders – Discussion

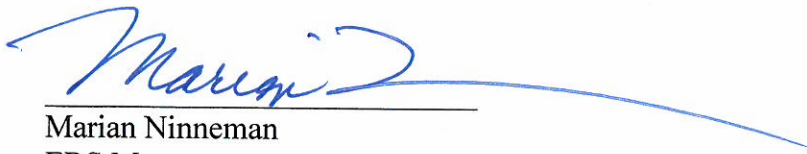
Steven Huff presented background information on Domestic Relations Order, and stated that the Board Rule as currently written does not support honoring support orders from governmental agencies. We believe we have an obligation under State law to follow these orders. The Committee will recommend adopting the amended Pension Board Rule 1017 at the April Pension Board meeting.

4. Topic: Pension Board Rule 1049 – Retirement Effective Date – Deferred Retirements with Reciprocity – Discussion

Steven Huff presented background information on this Rule as currently written. Due to differing interpretations of reciprocity agreements between the County, City and State, deferred members applying for retirement from the County could have their benefits affected by not meeting the 60 day distribution rules. The amendment to Pension Board Rule 1049 provides language allowing ERS to use a retirement effective date other than

the first day of the month following attainment of a deferred members Normal Retirement age to retain reciprocity benefits. The Committee will recommend adopting amended Pension Board Rule 1049 at the April Pension Board meeting.

5. Topic: Optional ERS Membership – Discussion  
Information was not available at the time of this meeting to hold a discussion. This will be an agenda item for a future meeting
6. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



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Marian Ninneman  
ERS Manager